

From: Bob
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:02 AM
Subject: Thank you Sir.

Thank you for doing your job by doing what is right. I have great respect for you and appreciate your efforts.

Please, keep up the good work. We, the public need your voice more than ever.

Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Peace, Bob Roseman

From: Lee Elliott
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:06 AM
Subject: New proposal means fewer choices

Most folks know, if the larger media organizations get a green light to monopolize major geographical metropolitan areas then we, the people will have fewer choices, points of view and perspectives.....there has been several examples of similar attempts and behavior in history, as in trying to slowly erode the choices, free will and individuality of the majority.. ...and they have always failed in the end.

Another straw in the basket that will eventually cause the regular working Americans to absolutely revolt and take this country back from the 1% of the people who are making all the decisions, setting policy and who own most of the wealth in this country.

Allowing this new proposal will surely help the cause of all those intent on boycotting big business....another straw in the basket for the folks who will take it all back,,,,,,the biggest of the big are slowly hanging themselves... ..and they don't even know it
I am actually for big business, but I can see the writing on the wall. I have BEEN to several meetings the regular working folks are organizing and have heard and seen what they are about.

Working people (those who earn less than...say... about 75K per year) are funding the corporate excesses, ridiculous salaries and bonuses, and they are figuring it out.

From another regular guy who works for a living, and who recently ran into a very large group of people, who are organizing and teaching guys like me about the few folks who believe they are better than the rest and deserve more. They (we) also know about the real reason for the Patriot Act...among a few other rules, and policies which are designed to gain more control and power over the minds and lives of the regular working people, who ARE the ones funding the most wealthy families and their sociopath beliefs and behavior.

My last meeting had over 300 people, all who are regular working people, and over half of those 300 people were totally into their cause of removing big business and the current president and his administration from power and influence. They do preach staying legal, but they also have some very, very influential and wealthy people in their ranks, therefore ...for your own sake, try and see things from the perspective of those who really ARE, and who really do OWN this entire country, who I am speaking of are the MAJORITY, meaning folks who are not rich, but those who live with integrity and who really work for a living.
They really are getting together in numbers that would amaze those in power, and since the majority will rule, eventually anyway, I too now will not be spending a penny at any of the big 500, and so are thousands of others.....the power will shift, and is shifting before your very eyes, and

they don't even know ityet .-)

The group I have visited, and who are gaining influence all over the nation have published a list of companies in which these folks are avoiding at all costs, and whenever possible. They (we) are not spending money at org's similar to Wal-Mart or any of their divisions/sub's, (org's and corp's who support the current administration) and there are another 400+ companies on that list,

Profits will soon start eroding very quickly from those big corporations, and I believe and support them. Therefore, allowing too few news organizations in the largest markets will surely speed up the process...."Thanks" from the ones who will be able to erode the profits easier now with your new proposal....your plans to gain power will actually be the demise of big media organizations. What an easy target by putting ONE corporation in such a concentrated area and so easily identified ? Dumb if ya ask me.

Signed,

An EX-corporate puppet, now one who is back in the mode, and into the belief that this country is "By the People, For the People" and NOT what it is trying to become as "By the Puppets, For the Privileged"

From: IFLYprn0spam@att.net
To: Commissioner Adelstein, zy jmweb FCC, Kathleen Abernathy, Mike Powell, Michael Copps, zz Amanda Young, FCC FCCINFO
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:06 AM
Subject: fcc

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From: Lois Aller
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:07 AM
Subject: Re: Please Act to Stop Media Monopolies

Dear Mr. Copps:

I'm watching c-span right now and I want to thank you for trying. The other three must all be making over \$100,000/year and live in cities. If they were not rich and lived outside the cities and suburbs maybe they would have realized cable does not go everywhere, satellite doesn't work everywhere, and many people can not get to computers. They watch what's put before them because that is all they can get. You and commissioner Adelstein are the only ones that care about the people. Our rights are being demolished one right after the next. Rupert Murdoch does not even try to hide that he represents only one point of view. How can we have fair elections, when half the candidates won't be able to get their message out. During the last War, I found no divergence in the news at all. The Rich get richer and the normal guy gets poorer. The other three must have been paid off. How do you become FCC commissioners? You two tried. What will Rupert do to my DirectTV when he gets a hold of that? Please, try to keep the Public in public radio and tv. It's all we have left. The Bill of Rights is going one by one. Freedom of Press and Freedom of speech disappeared with that decision.
Bonnie Aller

Michael Copps wrote.

> Thank you for your message concerning media consolidation. I am happy to know
> that you are participating in the debate over this issue and hope that you
> will continue to do so in the weeks leading up to the June 2 vote and
> thereafter. We must come to grips with this issue because it is so important
> not only for the kinds of entertainment we get from our media, but also from
> the standpoint of what it means for the news and information that sustains our
> country's democratic dialogue. I hope you will talk about this issue with
> your friends, neighbors, local media and government officials. Again, thanks
> for getting in touch.

From: Sarah Tamor
To: Kathleen Abernathy, Mike Powell, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:08 AM
Subject: One size does NOT fit all!

TO:

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DON'T RELAX the few remaining media ownership restrictions! DON'T ALLOW ALL THE BIG COMPANIES TO FURTHER CONSOLIDATE THEIR POWER! Diversity of viewpoint and information is CENTRAL TO DEMOCRACY!

Sarah Tamor,

Santa Monica, CA.

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From: jackie.valdez
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:13 AM
Subject: consolidation

Dear Commissioner,
Thomas Jefferson trusted an informed public to make reasoned decisions. Further consolidation of the media will not serve that end. Moreover, our local communities will be given short shrift. Please do not vote for additional consolidation.

Sincerely,
Jacqueline K. Valdez

From: Bruce
To: Michael Powell <mpowell@fcc.gov>, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:14 AM
Subject: hearings

Whose interests are being protected by the FCC? Mine?

Whose money funds your agency? Mine?

What is your goal?

I live in Minot, ND where 6 of the seven radio stations are owned by Clear Channel radio and the 7th is a religious broadcast station. I believed that most of the major newspapers, there are at most 6, are owned out of state, but not by the same conglomerate.

How do you see the proposed deregulation helping this state?

Sincerely

Jan Brooks

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Minot, ND

From: TapestryTime@aol.com
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:39 AM
Subject: Thank You!

Mr. Copps,

I wish to thank you for voting against the FCC rule change. We can only hope that congress will have the foresight to repeal it!

Kind Regards,
Vickie Sandack
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From: kstocker@unm.edu
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:41 AM
Subject: FCC regulation changes

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to you to request that you please not raise the cap on how many media stations any particular business or conglomerate may own. It is imperative to this nation and its ideals (including free speech) that we maintain open various avenues for the expression of diverse opinions. Free speech means nothing if there is insufficient access to venues through which to voice it publicly. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Karen Stocker, Ph.D.
Albuquerque, NM

From: Terri Takahashi
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:43 AM
Subject: Thanks For Your Efforts

Where do we go from here?

Terri Takahashi

Anyone who has the power to make you believe absurdities has the power to make you commit injustices.
1767 Voltaire

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From: David Hill
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 11:53 AM
Subject: Re: Please do not sell America's voice to Clear Channel and the rest

Take your generic email and SHOVE IT. I never had a chance to participate in any DEBATE. Go to HELL.

>>> "Michael Copps" <MCOPPS@fcc.gov> - 5/21/03 12:27 PM >>>

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From: jrlucas1@juno.com
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:04 PM
Subject: Re: Please Act to Stop Media Monopolies

June 2, 2003

I watched Jonathan Adelstine's comments on C-Span on why he voted against media consolidation and was very impressed by his comments and agree with his statements. I am concerned that it seems that Big Corporations are trying to run our country and am sorry that this ruling passed. I hope something can be done to change this ruling since it seems like a great number of people are against it.

Thank you,

John R. Lucas

From: Linda Cosand
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:11 PM
Subject: Thank You

Commissioner:

I listened to your impassioned words at the hearings today. I'm heartbroken and sick to my stomach with the results. You and your colleague Mr. Adelstein were eloquent, articulate, and passionate. Unfortunately you were one too many to keep the automatons from maching forward to do this terrible task.

I am writing to thank you. For holding hearings, which I watched, for doing everything you did to try to ensure that this issue got examined, and for your words at the hearings.

I hope Mr. Adelstein's closing words were correct.
Thanks again!
Linda Cosand
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Chicago, IL 60614

From: Jerry and Elena Lindsay
To: Mike Powell
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:13 PM
Subject: Poor decisions yet again.

Dear Mr. Powell,

I read with disgust your decision to reduce even further the restrictions on multiple broadcast outlets. Time and again the commission has ruled against the consumer and is doing so again. If you are going to make this decision, they the restriction on satellite and cable providers carrying out of market stations should be lifted to provide wider access to other viewpoints to offset the mess you are making. You are establishing virtual monopolies with government imprimatur.

Sincerely,

Gerald A. Lindsay
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CC: Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein

From: Ladd Hadlock
To: Commissioner Adelstein, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Kathleen Abernathy, Mike Powell
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:15 PM
Subject: Sad Day

Big business, with all their money and power, win over the needs of the public again! It's a sad day for all Americans.

From: Norm Levin
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:19 PM
Subject: Now the truth about the FCC is revealed

Federal Communications Commission

Chairman Michael Powell

Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy

Commissioner Michael J. Copps

Commissioner Kevin J. Martin

Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein

And to think you portray yourselves as working for the public interest!

Molly Ivins. Now hear this

By Molly Ivins

Published 2:15 a.m. PDT Thursday, May 29, 2003

AUSTIN, Texas -- This is a gross scandal. The Center for Public Integrity has a stunning study out on the concentration of ownership in telecommunications. The even more stunning news is that the Federal Communications Commission, which theoretically represents you and me, is about to make all of it even worse. And behind this betrayal of the public trust is nothing but rotten, old-fashioned corruption. It's the old free-trip-to-Vegas ploy, on a grand scale.

The Public Integrity people examined the travel records of FCC employees and found that they have accepted 2,500 trips, costing nearly \$2.8 million over the past eight years, paid for by the telecommunications and broadcast industries, which are, theoretically, "regulated" by the FCC. The industry-paid travel is on top of about \$2 million a year in official travel paid for by taxpayers.

According to the center, FCC commissioners and agency staffers attended hundreds of conventions, conferences and other events all over the world, including Paris, Hong Kong and Rio de Janeiro. They were put up at luxury hotels such as the Bellagio in Las Vegas and ferried about by limo. Vegas was the top destination -- 330 trips -- New Orleans second with 173, then New York at 102 and London with 98 trips. Why London, you may ask. Well, do ask

So here's the result of our regulators getting all these nice freebies where they schmooze with the industry guys. The three largest local phone companies control 83 percent of home telephone lines. The two top long-distance carriers control 67 percent of that market. The four biggest cellular phone companies have 64 percent of the wireless market. The five largest cable companies pipe programming to 74 percent of the cable subscribers nationwide.

The FCC is what is known in government circles as a "captive agency." It has been captured by the industry it is supposed to regulate. Those who work at captive agencies come to identify with their industry and believe their function is to service it, not regulate it.

The center, www.publici.org , also found that the FCC increasingly relies on industry-generated data to justify sweeping deregulation proposals. Great, it doesn't even have its own numbers.

FCC Chairman Michael ("The free market is my religion") Powell is about to pass yet another giveaway to the country's biggest media conglomerates. There will be another enormous wave of media consolidation. On June 2, the FCC will vote to end long-established rules on multiple ownership.

The big players are Rupert Murdoch's News Corp./Fox, General Electric/NBC, Viacom/CBS, Disney/ABC and the Tribune Corp. You will notice that television is not giving this story, with its enormous impact, any coverage at all, and many newspapers have done no better. (William Safire of The New York Times is a noble exception.)

These are public airwaves. They are owned by us, we the people. Neil Hickey reports in "The Gathering Storm Over Media Ownership" that at public hearings all over the country, there has been a huge outpouring of public concern and anxiety about what is happening. More and more people are speaking out, and the FCC's public reaction counts are completely negative, yet it goes right on doing it, as though the citizens are nothing.

You can register your protest before June 2 by going to www.mediareform.net , or phoning or faxing the agency. But why should you bother, especially if they're not going to pay attention anyway?

Look at what's already happened to radio. Many of the stations you listen to will not break into their programming to tell you if a tornado is headed directly for your town, or to warn you if there's a flash flood on the west side or that a toxic chemical truck has turned over near you. That's because there is no one at your radio station.

You think it's a local station because a voice with your local regional accent announces the county fair attractions for next weekend and such. But that voice is an actress in Los Angeles. She reads the announcement there, and then it is inserted digitally into the programming, which is the same across the country -- generic rock, oldies, country, whatever.

When you get this degree of concentration in the news media, the idea of a free press becomes a joke. Liberals and conservatives alike have a common interest in preventing the huge media conglomerates from getting even bigger. We must keep independent voices alive.

This is worth raising hell about. Call your congressperson, too, because, even at captive agencies, when the pols who write the budgets speak, the agencies listen. And the pols listen when the people get stirred up enough. Let's see a little citizenly responsibility from all you patriots out there. You need to do more than sing, "I'm Proud to Be an American" to keep this country free.

From: Jim Culter
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:19 PM
Subject: just filtered corporate news

Dear Commissioner Copps,

The proposed deregulation panders to giant corporations.

Headlines!

Just the other day the TOP story on our local news (a FOX network) was who won the American Idle Competition (a FOX TV entertainment show)!

The top NEWS story! We will see more if this nonsense upon further deregulation.

The people of this country own the airwaves, not you not FOX not Time Warner.

For once I would like to see a Bush administration decision that actually favors consumers instead of big business.

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Jim Culter
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From: PatriotPoint@aol.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:20 PM
Subject: A Travesty!

Today's poll on AOL indicates that over 75% of the respondents disagree with the commission's decision regarding the "relaxation" of ownership rules. I am one of those.

After 40+ years as a staunch Democrat, I switched parties. That was 20 years ago. Today I wonder if perhaps the Democrats have been right all along. "The Republicans are the friends of BIG business."

The key to growth is the enhancement of small businesses. Sometimes that requires decisions by those in authority to protect such businesses from heavy-handed competition or outright destruction. The "control" of the media in the hands of a few "protected left-wingers" is the road to destruction for a far greater reason; the elimination of divergent opinions or views. As the governing authority, the commission has abdicated its responsibility to the American people. It is a sad day to be a Republican.

W. Bass

CC: Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein

From: mvsmith@wesleyan.edu
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:24 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Dear Sirs and Madame:

I am outraged by your board's 3-2 decision this morning, further deregulating the communications industry. As one who has been active in commercial free, free-form radio for four years, I feel that this decision will have an unbelievably detrimental affect on our nation's radio airwaves, one which we cannot afford to have.

Our nation's airwaves should be protected from the onslaught of large media corporations, who since 1996, have managed to carve up a large portion of the market, (most notably Clear Channel Communications). This nation was founded on the ideals of free speech, as exhibited by a healthy marketplace exchanging in the sale and trade of ideas. As we resitct those who participate in the marketplace of ideas, we restrict opinions, thoughts, and the practice of free speech itself.

As we lose more and more of our local, commercial free radio stations to media behemoths, our communities are irrevocably damaged. Many local stations operate for free, with community volunteers. Thus, members of the community lose the ability to participate in the exchange of free speech in their own back yards when their stations are swallowed up by the agents of deregulation.

Most galling in your decision was your complete unwillingess and stubbornness to engage the public in this debate. As our radio stations, newspapers, TV stations slowly slip away from our communities, to where will we turn to get unbiased news coverage? To where will we turn to get local community updates? To where will we turn we can no longer turn on the dial to that small, low-wattage station and hear an old Lightnin' Hopkins 78?

This is about more than consumer advocacy. It is about the preservation of free speech. In today's day and age, would the Federalist papers have been printed in newspapers? Would our nation's founder's be able to engage in debate on the pages of our local newspapers and broadcasts? I doubt it; they would have neither the advertising dollars nor the lobby power of Clear Channel et. al. For now, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Matthew Smith

From: mterral@cox.net
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:27 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Chairman Powell-

I am very concerned about the changes in FCC rules regarding media ownership. These rules were to protect our citizens from robber-barron capitolists in the media.

This removal of ownership restrictions jeopardizes the public interest through limiting access to multiple sources of information.

Mary Ann Terral
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Moore, OK 73160-6823

From: Christina Elmgren
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:28 PM
Subject: R e a l i z e

Realize and think about where we Americans are going. Are we going to the way of Iraq, toward where Russia has been? Freedom of the Press is being denied to us Americans because of money. Newspapers, television and radio stations owned by conglomerates no only decrease but syphon information like animal to a trough -- perhaps the guillotine --

Consider everyone's rights to information and open up news bureau long ago closed by money -- power -- money.

Christina Elmgren
Seal Beach, CA

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From: Jerry Sell
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:35 PM
Subject: 6/2/03 RULING

I vigorously protest your 06/02/2003 ruling in favor of media ownership. I am more and more convinced each day that my government is OWNED by big business regardless of who is in office.

This ruling was obviously made by a politically controlled committee. You have kicked the American public in the teeth.

L G SELL
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From: Susan Baker
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:42 PM
Subject: Thank you

Thank you for opposing the change in FCC rules. I hope that we will be able in the future turn this country from its suicidal determination to have the very large and homogenous swallow up the small and diverse. It will now be very difficult to save us, our freedoms, and our way of life when the tools of communication themselves are all the same.
Susan Baker

From: BE

To: z Speaker, zd Democratic Caucus, zd Democratic Policy Committee, zd Senator CT, zd Senator DE, zd Senator HI, zd Senator IA, zd Senator IL, zd Senator LA, zd Senator MA, zd Senator MD, zd Senator MI, zd Senator MI, zd Senator ND, zd Senator ND, zd Senator NM, zd Senator NY, zd Senator RI, zd Senator SD, zd Senator SD, zd Senator VT, zd Senator WA, zd Senator WI, zd Senator WV, zi Senator VT, zr Senator AL, zr Senator AL, zr Senator IN, zr Senator KY, zr Senator ME, zr Senator ME, zr Senator MS, zr Senator MS, zr Senator NM, zr Senator OH, zr Senator OK, zr Senator VA, zr Senator WI, zr Senator WY, z House Policy, vv bob CNBC pisani, vv david CNBC faber, vv joe CNBC kernen, vv maria. CNBC bartiromo, vv martha CNBC maccallum, vv michelle CNBC caruso-cabrera, vv ron CNBC insana, vv tom CNBC costello, vvvQuestion MSNBC, vvv World MSNBC, vvv Weekend Magazine MSNBC, vvv Viewers MSNBC, vvv Seattle news MSNBC, vvv Pat Buchanan MSNBC, vvv Letters MSNBC, vvv Investigate MSNBC, vvv Imus MSNBC, vvv Hardball MSNBC, vvv DC news MSNBC, vvv Countdown MSNBC, vvv Commerce MSNBC, vvv Abrams Report MSNBC, vvv Reports MSNBC, <<NYT Letters, <<NYT Editor, <<Boston Globe, <<Chicago Trib Editor, <<CNN, <<CNN AmericanMorning, <<C-span Producers, <<LA Times Letters, <<Late Edition CNN, <<Star Ledger, <<Washington Post, <<Wall Street Journal Letters, <<Wash. Times Letters, v Wolf Blitzer, v ABC 20/20, v ABC investigators, v ABC Nightline, v Brian Williams cnbc, v Capital Report CNBC, v CBS 48 Hours, Checkpoint@CNBC.com, v Dan Rather CBS, v Dateline NBC, v Eyewitness.news ABC, v Hardball CNBC, v Kudlow-Cramer CNBC, V Meet the Press NBC, v Nightly NBC, v Tim Russert NBC Meet The Press, v TODAY NBC, v Tyler Mathisen CNBC, v WBlitzer CNN, v Weekend Today NBC, <Business Week, <Forbes, <Fortune, <Time, <New Yorker, <Newsweek Editor, <Newsweek Letters, <Parade, <Time.com, <US Weekly, <USA Today, <Village Voice

Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:44 PM

Subject: 02-277

This is unconstitutional .
STAY or PROSECUTE the FCC !
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our freedom of choice,
thus our FUTURE!

CC: Commissioner Adelstein, zy jmweb FCC, Kathleen Abernathy, Mike Powell, Michael Copps, zz Amanda Young, FCC FCCINFO

From: Garret Nick
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 12:48 PM
Subject: thanks

please continue to fight the power and let everyone know what horrible things the republicans are trying to do while they divert our attention to bogus wars.

thanks.
garret

From: Meakin123@aol.com
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 1:08 PM
Subject: Re: Monday's vote

Dear Mr. Copps: Thank you for your eloquence in setting forth the reasons that many of us object to any ruling that would allow further concentration of media outlets into the hands of fewer and fewer organizations.

I will certainly let Senators Lott, et. al. know my concerns about this matter, hoping that somehow today's decision can be modified to insure that we can hear a diversity of opinion, from the "bleeding liberals" to the ultra-conservatives.

There is too much conformity already, in my opinion, in the presentation of what is considered newsworthy. I regularly listen to shortwave radio and public radio and TV stations to offset the cookie cutter stuff offered by most U.S. TV & radio stations and many newsmagazines. - Sincerely, Mary E. Akin

From: Dfuhr
To: Mike Powell
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 1:09 PM
Subject: Thank you

Thank you Chairman Powell, thank you very much. Now I don't have to worry about changing from Radio to television to the newspaper anymore since they will soon all be owned by the same company.

With this vote, you have doomed american broadcasting, soon it will be a shadow of it's former self. I can already envision all cable channels playing even more crappy re-runs of "Friends". The radio has been ruined through consolidation, just try listening to it. None of that music is what people actually listen to, but it's what's being forced down our throat. Now we have to look forward to that on TV as well.

Thank you again, for screwing me, and everyone else over. I'm already planning my reading list, as I'm sure to have much more time for books.

Dan Fuhr

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CC: Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein

From: Bud Stafford
To: Michael Copps
Date: Mon, Jun 2, 2003 3:26 PM
Subject: Thank you

Commissioner Copps,

I just read your statement on the FCC website regarding the easing of media ownership rules. Your argument is well structured and accurately addresses my feelings and the feelings of many friends, at least those who are even aware of what the FCC was up to these last few months. I truly appreciate that in you we have representation on the FCC that is looking out for the good of the people, not the media ownerships, who now have so much to celebrate in light of this decision and the tax break windfalls they will soon be reaping. It's a sad day for democracy, but thank you for taking the stand you are taking. I'm hopeful this can be reversed before it takes hold.

Regards,
Bud Stafford